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WASHINGTONVILLE

Bright, Breezy Paragraphs Telling The Happenings in the Village on Mahoning's Southern Border.

By Peter M. Herold

Last Saturday was pay day at the mines.

Members of our high school class have selected their badges.

Henry Richards and wife of Akron spent last week with relatives here.

Elmer Warner has made an addition to his porch on W. Main street.

The few cool days last week were not favorable to the comfort of the shut-ins.

The coal industry here is not such as to fill the many empty houses in the village.

Automobiles are still upon the roads, but not so numerous as they were in midsummer.

The play Damon and Pythias will be given in Leetonia Friday and Saturday nights.

Miss Victoria Pasich of Salem and Miss Ionia Williams of Leetonia spent Sunday here with friends.

The masquerade ball in town hall Saturday night was well attended and a good old time is reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Warner and their grandson of Youngstown spent Sunday at the home of J. D. Williams and wife.

Born, October 30, to James M. Atkinson and wife, a son. The boy will be ready for Halloween in a few years and can then celebrate his birthday.

Wm. Young and Loran Taylor, our youthful Marconis, have the use of the wireless instruments used in the schools at Girard, by kindness of Prof. E. Freed.

The open season for skunk will begin November 15 and close February 1, 1914. This animal is perhaps the most valuable fur bearer in this section of the state.

My young Scotch friend, Bobby Dixon, writing to me from Byesville says, "I have just received The Mahoning Dispatch. I like this place very well, but am not working yet. Here is where Mr. Sneddon works."

Many from here went to Salem Friday night to see the Mardi Gras parade.

One young guy wanted to buy some of the seed of what he called "Mardi grass," but he found out that it is pronounced mardi gras.

Halloween passed off this year with but little disturbance about town.

One young man helped upset my closet and I killed him, but there were no tears shed, over his remains, so I buried him under the lilacs without a tombstone.

A crowd of athletic sports from here went to Alliance on Saturday to see the football game between the Case school of Cleveland and Mt. Union college team, in which the latter was victorious 7 to 0. This village is represented upon the Mt. Union line up.

With six ballot boxes in each voting precinct on Tuesday, those desiring to "vote early and often" could be accommodated. Separate boxes were provided for the village officers; township officers; school board; shipmen of boats into dry territory; constitutional amendments; and justice of the peace.

Mahlon, the one-year-old son of William T. Smith and wife, after only a few days' illness with membranous croup, died Friday evening, despite the careful attention of his parents.

On grandchild, Harold Smith, died of diphtheria about two years ago and the funeral services were conducted at the residence of the child's grandparents, J. D. Smith and wife at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon conducted by Rev. Earl Lea of the Methodist church, with interment in Oakland cemetery. Another grandchild, Harry Smith, died of diphtheria about two years ago and the funeral services were conducted at the same place. These are sad recollections and the bereaved parents have public sympathy.

The local election on Tuesday passed off quietly as usual, there being little opposition to some of the officers to be elected. The constitutional amendments on the Short ballot, exempting bonds from their just proportion of taxation, etc., were overwhelmingly lost. For school board, J. N. Paisley, Frank C. Boston and Jos. L. Fitzpatrick were elected with the assistance of the lady voters. The following candidates were elected without opposition, the first three named being for re-election: Jas. Atkinson, August Mathey, Robert McIntosh, Ed. Girard, H. H. Getz and Chas. Senior. For Mayor, Chas. A. Stouffer was re-elected for the third term over C. H. Weikert by 18 majority, and for Marshall Thomas Dalrymple was re-elected for the third term over Mory DeJone by a regular walk-away. John S. Davis was re-elected village treasurer and Fred Weikert was re-elected village clerk without opposition. In the township, Bush, Crutchley and Toot received majority for trustees of Green township. F. L. Stouffer was elected trustee of Salem township without opposition. O. P. Moore had 91 votes to his opponent's 42 for clerk of Salem township, but his opponent, Mr. Long, who has held the job for 20 years, was re-elected by about 35 to the good. The polling places on the Mahoning side were furnished with John Quincy Adams' poem, "Man wants but little here below, nor needs that little long." The average voter appeared more concerned as to who would be licensed to dispense booze than as to who would be elected upon the board of education.

Tuesday was a pleasant day for the village.

A new floor was placed in Weikert's store, Tuesday.

Clarence Horn has moved from Oretta Reed's house to North Lima.

Some of our theater goers saw the "Fine Feathers" in Salem Monday night.

Grant Calvin was in Salem on Tuesday taking electric baths for rheumatism.

Ross Fisher has recovered from his injured foot and is now a Y. & O. conductor.

A fine large monument has been erected in Oakland cemetery upon the lot of William Roller.

There is talk of double-tracking the Y. & O. probably because they have an 80-foot right of way.

The village of Columbiana has extended its corporation lines so as to take in 40 acres more land.

Lem Moss was here from Deerfield on Monday for the wedding of his son, William, H. Postage and Miss Ionia Williams.

Mrs. John Black was in Leetonia Monday consulting a physician as to her ailments, and he recommended an operation in the near future.

Under a recently enacted law election day is a legal holiday. The law declares that every November election shall be a legal holiday from the hour of noon until night.

Our village administration remains unchanged so far as the mayor and marshal are concerned. There was a good vote polled, but some of the candidates were a little late in getting upon the ticket.

There will be double doings here Saturday night, Nov. 15. The first will be a social in the M. E. Church, after which there will be an old-fashioned dance in town hall.

There are now three comets visible in the evening sky and fully described in the last number of the Scientific American. They are Metcalf's comet, Neudjimin's comet and Westphal's comet, which last appeared in 1852.

Friday, November 14, has been set apart by Governor Cox as "school survey day," when every school in Ohio is expected to be warmed and lighted for the reception of all parents and pupils, and hear some appropriate addresses.

It appears that in order to secure safety the proposed Lincoln Memorial Highway will not come through Washingtonville, but will touch East Liverpool, Lisbon, Hanoverston, East Rochester and Minerva, thence to Canton and on west through the state.

John W. Postage, George Firth, Albert Culler, William Stouffer, Carl Weikert, Earl Chamberlain, Charles Bossert, Joe Thorpe and Perry Tetlow were among those from here who saw the Mt. Union-Case football game at Alliance Saturday afternoon. It is claimed that 2,000 persons saw the game.

Our farmers sell wheat for 75c a bushel and buy it back at breakfast food at \$10 a bushel. They sell corn at 80c and buy it back at \$5 a bushel put up in fancy packages. They sell hogs at 8c and buy them back at 35c as bacon; all because they want to, not because they must.—Marquette Tribune.

At the October and November sessions of the village council, bills to the amount of \$516.80 were paid; but could not even see the rat hole where it went in. Town hall cost \$325, and by the time it was moved and made ready for a few dances, there was expended upon it about \$2,000 more.

A sister of Mrs. C. W. Cowan residing in Kansas City, Mo., sent word that she was coming to visit, intending to reach here last Saturday, but it tasted just as good on Monday. The doctor said his promise made 20 years ago has been renewed for another 20 years or longer, and serves this notice in time for at least 20 more wedding cakes.

Anthony H. Postage of Washingtonville and Miss Ionia Williams of Leetonia went to Lisbon on Monday, procured a marriage license and were united by Squire John McVicker at the county seat. They returned to the home of the groom on High street for dinner and in the afternoon started upon the usual honeymoon.

Both the high contracting parties have the well wishes of their many friends.

The good things in this world are always the cheapest. Spring wheat costs less than corn whisky; a gallon of old brandy costs more than two sacks of flour; a full hand at poker costs a man more in 20 seconds than his church subscriptions would amount to in three years; a town election costs more than a revival of religion, people sleep for a half hour in church free, but a nap in a Pullman costs \$1.50 to \$2.—Glasco (Kan.) Sun.

The village council convened in regular monthly session Monday night with all members present. Mayor Stouffer and Clerk Weikert in their places. The mayor reported \$24 collected for hall rent and \$1 from the sale of gilt molding from town hall to Mrs. Geo. Summerville. Much time was spent upon the bills coming in following the quarantine. The building committee was instructed to build a trap door into the basement of town hall and to insure the organ, chairs, etc., therein. Before adjourning to meet on Tuesday night, December 2, the following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

J. E. Gilbert, supplies, \$11.75
Mrs. Thos. Dalrymple, cleaning 11.60
J. D. Smith, coal, 3.20
Co-op., supplies for hall, 2.80
Thorpe & Sevensh, papering, 33.70
O. Bossert, supplies, 37.23
David Weikert, hauling, 2.80
Chas. A. Stouffer, proclamations, 2.80
Same for St. lamp fixtures, 106.48
Jos. King, labor on street, 1.75
J. L. Fitzpatrick, grinding, 1.20
Nat. Gas Co., lighting st., Oct. 20.30
T. Wilkinson, labor on lamps, 11.38
Same as St. Com, 9.63
Wm. T. Smith, fumigating, 10.50
Co-op., groceries for J. Rohrer, 11.98
J. D. Smith, coal for same, 1.80
Arthur Johnson, meat for same, 3.18
Wm. Holt, sanitary police, 14.75
Same, groceries for J. Rohrer, 1.25

Total for Nov. \$388.08
Total for Oct. \$318.72

Stumptown always elects its share of the ticket.

Loran Taylor was in Columbiana on Wednesday securing another wireless outfit.

Frank Spar has moved into the house in Saurkraut vacated by Golgranz.

J. E. Gilbert spent this week in Youngstown as a member of the county board of elections.

The average farm is only six inches thick, and up-to-date farmers are subsiding with dynamite.

Jos. Golgranz, a Hungarian, moved his family on Monday from Saurkraut to Abe Stouffer's place north of town.

Delbert Stoneman, wife and daughter Lucile of Collinwood were guests at the home of A. L. Taylor and wife Wednesday.

Users of anthracite coal are laying in their winter's supply. The bituminous coal of this locality is only awaiting orders to mine it.

Mrs. John Fieldhouse, who was badly injured by a fall a short time ago, is still seriously afflicted and suffers much pain from the contusion.

An auto truck from Youngstown brought a load of furniture here Wednesday for Mayor C. A. Stouffer who will occupy the Elmer A. Ward property on W. Main street.

Poultry dealers are expecting a good trade between now and Thanksgiving, November 27. Turkeys will likely be out of sight and be classed with the cost of high living.

Mrs. Sarah Fisher has shipped her household goods to Youngstown, where her daughter Elsie has employment and where they intend making their future home, leaving her large residence here vacant.

The many lovers of the good old chicken pie, for which the annual pie supper of the Lutheran ladies is famous, will be glad to learn that this event of the season will take place at the regular date, the first Saturday of December. Begin now to measure capacity.

Many a mother who knows all about the work of missionaries in the interior villages of the Fiji Islands hasn't the remotest idea what her seventeen-year-old son is doing down the hill tonight. What's more, she doesn't seem to think it's her business to know.—Ex.

Carl D. Bossert has completed his tests for the foundation of the new postoffice building in Salem. In making the tests, holes were bored to a depth of 17 feet, or nine feet below the basement level. A government engineer will visit Salem and still further inspect the work.

Margaret, the 17-year-old daughter of James Grindle and wife, died in Ingleside hospital at Canton Wednesday night following an operation for tumor. Relatives here will attend the funeral at the home of the parents in Waynesburg, Stark county, and interment will be made in the cemetery near that village.

Word came here from Lisbon that neither Michael Higgins nor Wm. Tetlow will be granted saloon license for this village, but that a third person in the form of a "dark horse" will be given the prize—may be the one licensed will only be a blind, and use one of the others as a bartender. It looks like Mike, to me.

Gov. Cox is going to have 6,000 wild Hungarian pheasants transferred from the Danube valley to the woodlands of Ohio. They are to be protected by law until they greatly increase in numbers. Some of the birds live in this vicinity should put in his application for a few dozen to be released among the thickets around Washingtonville.

There will be a special service at the Lutheran church Sunday evening, which time the Lincoln-Lee temperance program will be rendered by the Sunday school. This special programme issued by the Anti-Slavery League is a new feature in their work and is the opening gun of one of the most important campaigns of modern times. Let everybody turn out and hear it.

Sunday's Cleveland Plain Dealer gives a full page illustrated account of the McLaughlin family, two brothers and two sisters, who were born, reared and still live upon a small farm a few miles south of Lisbon, and were never upon a railroad train, trolley car, steam boat or canal boat; in fact they were never out of the township in which they were born. They all live together and were never married.

Dr. C. W. Cowan and wife celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their wedding last Saturday by serving a five course dinner. They were married in Butler, Pa., returning from the World's Fair in Chicago and after living happily together for a score of years and travelling extensively over this continent, are enjoying the best of health in a comfortable home on Maple Way, where they view the passing years with pleasure.

CORNERSBURG

Nov. 5—Clarence Lynn and John Wilkerson went to Pittsburgh Saturday to bring home Mr. Lynn's automobile which had been left there for repairs.

Mrs. Mary Clupper of Youngstown was a Sunday dinner guest in the home of G. W. Strock. She was accompanied by Mrs. Caroline Durr of near Salem, who remained in the Strock home until Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Almira Twiss of Youngstown spent a couple of days last week with Mrs. M. A. Osborne.

Miss Laura Mills spent Saturday and Sunday in the home of her brother, Jacob Mills, of Austintown.

Mrs. Earl Corli spent a day last week in the home of her sister, Mrs. Elton Crum, of Youngstown.

Comfort Osborn and son, W. A. Osborn, of Boardman were among the Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clupper, bride and groom of last week, spent Monday night at the home of G. W. Ryder. O. C. Corli and G. W. Ryder served on the election board in Youngstown Tuesday.

Earl Corli and G. W. Ryder attended a meeting of the township school board in Youngstown Monday evening.

Samuel James and wife of Youngstown were Monday evening callers.

TELLING HIS FORTUNE



England Secures Option to Build Canal Through Colombia.—News Item.

NORTH LIMA

Nov. 5—A number of neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Myers gave them a pleasant surprise party Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Myers are about to move to Columbiana, and their friends took this method of bidding them farewell. Mrs. John Mencha, Miss Linda Miley and Mrs. John Price served lunch. Those present were Wm. Hahn and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hamrick, Ed. Crook and family, Delbert Stoneman and family, E. M. Covert and wife, Earl Covert and family, Freeman Mentzer and family and Elmer Best and family. Floyd Hahn rendered some excellent music and the evening was spent in a social way.

Mrs. R. K. Elser entertained the members of her Sunday school class at a Halloween party Saturday evening.

R. J. Miller and family spent Sunday with Sylvanus Detrow and wife near Boardman.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Stoneman and daughter Lucile of Collinwood are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mencha. Mr. Stoneman has recently recovered from a serious illness.

Mrs. Joel Lehman of Superior, Neb., is visiting her niece, Miss Ora Lehmman.

Jacob Elser and family were entertained at J. J. Mark's, Sunday.

Misses Josephine McLaughlin and Gladys Heindel spent Sunday with Miss Emma Mentzer.

Ell Lehman, who has been ill for several weeks, is recovering.

Mrs. Mary Unger of New Springfield was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. N. H. Mentzer, last week.

Arthur Heindel spent Sunday in the country with Guy Sittler.

Mrs. Haas of New Middletown, who died Thursday, was buried Saturday afternoon in North Lima cemetery.

She was the mother of Mrs. H. H. Hartman and Mrs. H. E. Mentzer of this place.

The County S. S. convention held in Youngstown last week was attended by a large delegation from Beaver township, 18 official delegates being registered besides a number of others who were present.

They reported an excellent series of meetings.

Miss Emma Flohr of Columbiana visited Mrs. N. H. Mentzer, Sunday.

Rev. W. A. Shieler on Tuesday evening officiated at the marriage of Miss Loretta Frye and Lloyd Unger of North Lima. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride in Woodworth. Mr. and Mrs. Unger will reside with the present with her parents. Many friends extend congratulations.

Nov. 6—Joseph Sauerwein of Columbiana called on his brother Ensign, Sunday.

Jonathan Reichard and family visited Ferd Painter's, Sunday.

In fact they were the Miss Della Calvia of Bryan spent Sunday with his brother Ira in Canfield.

E. E. Forney attended a meeting of the Mahoning County Agricultural Society in Canfield Wednesday.

John Sauerwein and Calvin Bro's are putting a new roof on Ren Hendrick's place.

G. W. Smith, rural carrier No. 1 out of Calla, delivered during the month of October to his patrons 7234 pieces of mail and weighed 1,338 pounds of mail. E. E. Forney, carrier No. 2, delivered to his patrons 7,251 pieces and weighed 1,170 pounds. His school is in a flourishing condition with Ernest Holben as teacher.

Clark Johnston is having a new roof put on his barn.

Paul Messery of New Buffalo called at the Corners Sunday.

Henry Detwiler, Chas. Double and Jeff Detrow were elected trustees and Wm. Gels, justice of the peace of Beaver township, Tuesday.

SHADY HOLLOW

Nov. 5—G. L. Meeker and family spent Sunday at Geo. Rothgeb's in New Egypt.

Arch Beard of New Buffalo moved his family here Saturday.

Clark Lyman of Andover is spending some time at H. C. Heintzelman's. Miss Dorothy Wertz was in Youngstown over Sunday.

Misses Esther Heintzelman and Lotie Kyle spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Odessa Pitch of Dublin.

Mary and Leo Bair spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. A. P. Knopp, of Washingtonville.

Mrs. Chas. Messery and daughter spent a few days with Mrs. Mary Messery in Canfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Beard and son of New Egypt and Ethel Hitchcock were among the visitors at H. C. Heintzelman's Sunday.

Miss Alice Winter of Boardman spent Monday night at G. L. Minard's.

MILLVILLE

Nov. 5—M. E. Yoder of Pittsburgh was here Friday.

Homer Dunn served on the election board Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Lee of Canton visited friends in the village Wednesday.

Mrs. W. E. Sheen was in Salem Monday.

Rev. Henry A. Rolland of Erie, Pa., called on friends here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Saunders had business in Lisbon Saturday.

Mrs. Althea Thornton and niece of Lowellville visited friends here Sunday.

The delegates from Millville S. S. to the county convention were Mrs. Samuel Hillard, Miss Hazel Holwick and Christian Nicholson. They reported a good convention and enjoyable sessions for everyone. Every delegate was presented with a hymn "The Little White Church on the Hill," composed by A. G. Esterly, the county secretary.

Bertha, the two months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dunn, formerly of this place, now of Salem, was awarded first prize for being the prettiest baby girl at the Halloween festival, there being thirty-five babies in the contest.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Barrett of Youngstown were guests of friends here over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper of Salem called in the village Sunday.

C. W. Dunn of Salem visited his parents here Sunday.

C. F. Nicholson made a business trip to Lisbon Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williamson and son Kenneth of East Palestine called on friends here Wednesday.

Mrs. John Allison entertained her parents, Mr. T. B. Brothers, of Salem Sunday.

Walter F. Burns of Cleveland called here on his way to Atlanta, Ga., where he will have charge of electrical machinery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lipplatt and children spent Sunday in Damascus.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Oesch were in Washingtonville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pyrie of Hubbard were callers here Thursday.

Mrs. Abbie Sell and children were in Salem Sunday.

Miss Elta Charlin and Miss May Cowden of Akron called here Tuesday while on their way to Pittsburgh.

BLANCO

Nov. 6—Mr. and Mrs. Elton Force of Youngstown visited a few days with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Force.

Frank Porter was in Niles and Youngstown Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Renkenberger and granddaughter, Theo. Cattell, were Sunday afternoon callers at W. F. Renkenberger's.

Rezin Swank, who was working in Warren, has returned to the home of his grandpa Swank.

Harry Kale, wife and daughter Mary were in Berlin Monday.

Homer Helzel and Burton Kale were in Alliance Friday night.

Ray Renkenberger was in East Youngstown Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Kale spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard and the latter's father, George Hoyle, in Patmos.

Francis Guthrie spent Tuesday with Mrs. Byron Williamson.

Wm. Onstott delivered some dresses to M. J. Neff in Canfield Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith were in Berlin Wednesday.

George Hofus of Lloyd was a Monday evening caller here.

Verne Thorpe has moved his family to Warren.

EAST LEWISTOWN

Nov. 6—Mr. and Mrs. Cal Hoover of New Waterford spent Sunday here with Mrs. Maggie Crumbacher.

Miss Hazel Engler spent Sunday here at her home.

Henry Blosser has returned from East Palestine where he did carpenter work for his brother-in-law, I. R. Guy.

Cal Klepfer of East Palestine spent Sunday here.

Jacob Mellinger is visiting his son, M. M. Mellinger.

Carl Lesher was at home over Sunday.

Many young people attended the Halloween carnival in Columbiana.

M. M. Mellinger is having a hot water heating plant installed in his residence.

Lawrence and Elmer Painter of Youngstown were here Saturday.

The sound of the anvil was not heard for several days.

Patrolman Painter was on duty Friday night but did not make any arrests.

CANFIELD VERY PROMINENT

In 1812 War Events. Two distinguished Men Gave Their Fortunes to Ohio.

Written by Whittlesley Adams.

I cannot write this sketch, without saying that in my researches among the records of the connection of Canfield with the war of 1812, I am forced to the conclusion "that the services of few, if any men of that time have been so little appreciated, by the public, and so ill repaid by the government, as those of General Elijah Wadsworth." When the war commenced, he was commander-in-chief of the whole of the northern half of the state of Ohio, and one of its wealthiest men. He gave ungrudgingly of his time and his money, in furnishing ammunition and supplies for the soldiers, and became personally responsible for some \$20,000 more, which he was afterwards compelled to pay. These claims were acknowledged by the government, never denied, but it was 20 years after he had died, in impoverished man, that tardy justice was rendered by payment made to his heirs. He may, or may not have been a military genius, for that was never tested in action, but of his bravery and self-sacrificing spirit, there was no question.

And this reminds me of another instance when "a republic was ungrateful." Some fifty years ago one pleasant Sunday morning, I strolled into the cemetery of Greensburg, a little town among the hills of Western Pennsylvania, and saw a monument somewhat more pretentious than the simple headstones surrounding it. Upon it was this inscription, "In memory of Gen'l Arthur St. Clair, this monument was erected by his brother Free Masons, in place of a better one due from his country."

This may not be an exact copy, but such is its substance. General St. Clair was once governor of Ohio, major general, commander in chief of the forces of the state, a man of large wealth, who spent his entire fortune in purchasing supplies and munitions for his soldiers, and also became individually responsible for debts contracted for army supplies, and thus made himself a bankrupt. He died in abject poverty, in a little log hut by the side of the turnpike, leading from Pittsburgh to Chambersburg, Pa., where, utterly alone, he had eked out the last years of his life, by selling cakes and root beer to the passing farmers. Long after his death, an appropriation was made by congress, to remunerate his heirs.

During the war of 1812 the British soldiers and the Indians were combined against the United States. In that was Elijah Whittlesley who was a major under General Simon Perkins of Warren.

Elijah Whittlesley represented this district in congress for sixteen years and afterwards was first controller of the United States treasury under Presidents Taylor, Pierce and Lincoln. Following are copies of letters from Elijah Whittlesley written during the war of 1812, to his wife:

Camp at Cleveland, August 29, 1812. As yet in excellent health. Yesterday one company of men crossed the Cuyahoga, which will be followed by two companies today and more tomorrow under the command of B. G. Simon Perkins. They will station themselves, in the most healthy situation, somewhere near the Huron, for the purpose of attacking the Indians, the few inhabitants who are remaining in that country and act as a corps of observation. The troops have not all of them arrived. Colonel Hayes' regiment is expected today. Raynes tomorrow, together with the detachment from Beall's and Miller's brigades. The encampment is about three quarters of a mile from town, pleasantly situated, near some of the finest springs you ever saw. About fifty hovels are already completed, and the necessary works progressing for the reception of the troops. It is very difficult to organize the militia, in the encampment but like all other things, it will be done. I shall be in some measure improved by time and a good share of patience. My time is very busily employed and not that time to communicate with you which I wish, and believe I shall have hereafter. I